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For : METHOD FOR PRODUCING A BENDING-RESISTANT,  
ELONGATED BODY AND AN ARRANGEMENT FOR A  
BENDING-RESISTANCE, ELONGATED BODY  
Examiner : Jimenez, Marc Q.  
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REMARKS

The Office Action dated April 16, 2003 has been received and carefully studied.

The undersigned wishes to thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview on June 20, 2003. Discussed during that interview was the meaning of the term "concentric". The undersigned pointed out that none of the cavities in the cited Henshaw et al. reference is concentric about the mass center of the blank as recited in the instant (renumbered) claims 14 and 20 (and claims dependent thereon). This distinction will be elaborated on below.

The Examiner states that the claims are misnumbered, and has renumbered claims 16-33 as claims 14-31.

The Examiner rejects (newly numbered) claims 14, 15, 17-23, 25-28 and 31 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Henshaw et al., claims 16 and 24 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being